

**MINUTES OF THE  
Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language  
Pathology and Audiology  
September 22, 2004**

The Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology met Wednesday, September 22, 2004 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Board meeting was called to order with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Albert R. De Chicchis, Ph.D., Chair  
Kaye Williams Hill  
Yvonne McNeil  
Winn Hill, Vice Chair (via Teleconference)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Alan B. Whitehouse, M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT**

Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist  
Adrian Whitehead, Board Secretary  
Lee Tracy, Executive Director  
Mollie Fleeman, Division Director Professional Licensing Boards  
Kathleen O'Neil, Staff Attorney Professional Licensing Boards  
Janet Wray, Senior Assistant Attorney General

**CALL TO ORDER** –Chairman De Chicchis established that a quorum was present and the meeting scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. was called to order at 9:24 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion, K. Hill, seconded, McNeil, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigations. Voting in favor of the motion were W. Hill, McNeil, and A. De Chicchis. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**OPEN SESSION**

**COGNIZANT REPORT**

M.T. Received CE certificates for compliance with Ethic's requirement for Private Consent Order. Recommends to close case. Motion McNeil, seconded W. Hill and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

SLPA040012 Awaiting treatment and billing records from both treating facilities. Request for treatment and billing records requested on September 16, 2004. Motion McNeil, seconded W. Hill and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

SLPA050019 Recommended request for fact-finding Investigative Interview. Motion McNeil, seconded W. Hill and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Cognizant.

### **MINUTES**

Motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2004 meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Lee Tracy announced that Board Chair, Albert R. De Chicchis will be invited to meet with Secretary of State Cox on November 4, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. Board members K. Hill or W. Hill will attend in the absence of Board Chair De Chicchis. Ms. Tracy also updated the Board on upcoming changes relative to sending out notice of renewals to licensees.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

The Board expressed interest in preparing a notification memorandum to benefit applicants and licensees. The notification memorandum will address rule changes, CEU's, renewals, and will also request that contact information such as addresses, phone number's, and email addresses be updated for the purpose of creating a List Serve. The notification memorandum will be finalized by October 18, 2004 and will tentatively be sent to licensees via first class mail in October 2004 and February 2005.

The Board expressed interest in changing Applications to include the request for the applicant's email address for the purpose of creating a List Serve.

The Board agreed to cancel the November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Board Meeting and to reschedule the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Board Meeting. The Board will combine both meetings and meet once on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

The Board agreed to change the meeting dates for calendar year 2005. The Board will meet the second Monday of each month for calendar year 2005 instead of the third Monday of each month as in calendar year 2004.

The Board updated their contact information on the Private and Public Board Member Roster.

The Board established that additional information is to be added to the website to include updated Board Meeting Dates. Board Secretary will follow through with this request.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

No member of the public present.

## **RULES REVISIONS**

Albert R. De Chicchis, Board Chairman, presented the following Rules for Adopting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these rules do not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee, and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the statutory provisions. The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned, and operated and dominant in the field of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.

### **Rule 609-7-.01 Continuing Professional Education Requirements. Amended.** –

Yvonne McNeil made a motion to approve Rule 609-7-.01 for adoption. Kaye Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed with De Chicchis, W. Hill, and McNeil voting in favor of adopting the proposed rule change. K. Hill voted in opposition.

**Rule 609-8-.01 Renewal. Amended.** – Yvonne McNeil made a motion to approve Rule 609-8-.01 for adoption. Kaye Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed with De Chicchis, W. Hill, and McNeil voting in favor of adopting the proposed rule change. K. Hill voted in opposition.

**Rule 609-8-.02 Late Renewal.** – Yvonne McNeil made a motion to approve Rule 609-8-.02 for adoption. Kaye Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed with De Chicchis, W. Hill, and McNeil voting in favor of adopting the proposed rule change. K. Hill voted in opposition.

**Rule 609-8-.03 Reinstatement.** – Yvonne McNeil made a motion to approve Rule 609-8-.03 for adoption. Kaye Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed with De Chicchis, W. Hill, and McNeil voting in favor of adopting the proposed rule change. K. Hill voted in opposition.

**Rule 609-8-.04 Revocation.** – Yvonne McNeil made a motion to approve Rule 609-8-.04 for adoption. Kaye Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Motion McNeil, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried, to accept the recommendations on applications.

### **ASHA**

Monica Isenovsk	Denied
Patrice Tanner	Approved

Susan Wetzel                      Approved

EXAMS

Jason Amos	Approve
S. Michelle Brown	Approved
Ashley Conway	Approved
Barbara Cook	Approved
Amy Cooper	Denied
Joyceln Cooper	Approved
Steven Craig	Approved
Amy Culpepper	Approved
Samantha DePue	Approved
Elizabeth Fitts	Approved
Kelly Fletcher	Approved
Kijafa Forsyth	Approved
Quantiyanna Gaskins	Approved
Janine James	Approved
Letha Koenishano	Approved
Garnet Parker	Approved
Arelice Roman	Approved
Lois Spencer	Approved
Amanda Varon	Approved
Crystal Webber	Approved
Lindsay Welch	Approved
Sarah Wood	Pending

REINSTATEMENT

Debra Dwight	Denied
Emily Leak	Pending
Dlydia Pinnix	Approved

SPEECH AIDE

Amy McCraney	Approved
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CEU PROVIDER

Health Ed	Approved
National Parkinson Foundation	Pending
SpeakEasy	Approved

ENDORSEMENT

Sangeetha Ayyamapalayam	Approved
Linda Barnett-Vaughan	Approved
David Kenney	Approved
Laura Powell	Approved

Mary Roth	Approved
Sheewayne Sandoval	Approved
Angela Shimp	Approved
Tara White	Approved

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion K. Hill, seconded McNeil and motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

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Albert R. De Chicchis, Chair  
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF  
EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-  
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY  
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